

WASHINGTON LIKENS HIS MASS MEETINGS TO HITLER'S, MUSSOLINI'S

Notes That Even Soviet Union Permits 'Voting'; Senate Unit Hears Dulles, Aide
On CIA's Role In Ill-Fated Invasion

Miami, Fla., May 2 (AP)—A number of Cubans who were officers under Fulgencio Batista, former dictator, said today they will not be left out of any future anti-Castro invasion.

The group said it represents 1,000 exiled Cuban soldiers and 300 career officers. They complained that the civilian organizers of the unsuccessful invasion refused to use their military knowledge "or it might have been different."

Briefing

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Washington, May 2 — Senators dug into the Central Intelligence Agency's role in the Cuban fiasco for four hours today, and may probe it still further.

Allen W. Dulles, CIA director, and Richard M. Bissell, the deputy who reportedly was the American most closely involved in the unsuccessful invasion, talked behind closed doors with the Foreign Relations Committee.

Senator Fulbright (D., Ark.), committee chairman, said when the session broke up late today that he would not "foreclose" the possibility of more extensive study of the case by his group.

Fulbright Stands Pat

Fulbright, who expressed his opposition to the unsuccessful operation both before and after it took place, said today's meeting did not change his opinion that it was "a mistake."

He said he believed there was "collective" responsibility for the error of permitting and backing the ill-fated invasion by Cuban exiles, and that he would "single out" the CIA for blame.

Asked whether today's meeting left him convinced that Dulles should stay on as CIA director, Fulbright declined to comment.

Reports Circulated

Reports have circulated in Washington that the 66-year-old Dulles would retire and be replaced by Robert F. Kennedy, the Attorney General and the President's brother, by Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, former Army Chief of Staff, or someone else.

Dulles remained at the committee session for an hour and 45 minutes before leaving for a meeting of the National Security Council, and the senators quizzed Bissell for more than two hours longer.

Fulbright said Dulles had not been asked whether he intended to retire, and had volunteered no information on that subject.

Whether further questioning of the Cuban matter will follow is up to members of the committee and

the subcommittee on Latin American affairs, Fulbright stated.

He said in the past he had favored creation of a joint congressional committee to oversee CIA, and while he probably would support a similar resolution introduced last week, he did not want to commit himself on it in advance.

Sees "Dual Mistake"

Senator Church (D., Idaho), who left while Bissell was still being questioned, said most of the discussion had been on military aspects of the Cuban failure, but Fulbright said the over-all discussion touched every part of it.

Church said it seemed to him that a "dual mistake" was made. "Communism can't be shown up, and this should be the object of our policy," the young Senator continued.

"But when a resort to arms was taken in Cuba, the error was compounded by allowing a corporal's guard to attempt an army's work," he said.

Church said ways in which communism could be "shown up" included needed land and tax reforms, as have been suggested by President Kennedy in his "alianza para progreso" program.



READY TO TESTIFY—Allen W. Dulles, CIA chief (left), talks with Senator Fulbright (D., Ark.) before briefing Senate group. Seated is Senator Hickenlooper (D., Iowa.)